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# Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions

## Note by the Secretary-General

1. Rules 158 and 159 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly provide as follows:

> "*Rule 158*
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> "The General Assembly shall appoint an expert Committee on Contributions consisting of eighteen members.
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> "*Rule 159*
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> "The members of the Committee on Contributions, no two of whom shall be nationals of the same State, shall be selected on the basis of broad geographical representation, personal qualifications and experience and shall serve for a period of three years corresponding to three calendar years. Members shall retire by rotation and shall be eligible for reappointment. The General Assembly shall appoint the members of the Committee on Contributions at the regular session immediately preceding the expiration of the term of office of the members or, in case of vacancies, at the next session."

2. On 26 April 2007, the Secretary-General informed the General Assembly (see A/61/102/Add.1) of a vacancy in the membership of the Committee on Contributions as a result of the resignation of Sujata Ghorai (Germany). The Assembly was also informed of the nomination by the Government of Germany and endorsement by the Group of Western European and Other States of Thomas Thomma (Germany) to fill the remainder of the term of office of Ms. Ghorai, which would expire on 31 December 2008.

3. At its 96th meeting, on 16 May 2007, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee (A/61/562/Add.1), appointed Mr. Thomas Thomma as a member of the Committee on Contributions for a term of office beginning on 16 May 2007 and ending on 31 December 2008.

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4. Accordingly the present membership of the Committee is the following:

Kenshiro Akimoto (Japan)***
Petru Dumitriu (Romania)***
Gordon Eckersley (Australia)*
Paul Ekorong A Dong (Cameroon)*
Bernardo Greiver del Hoyo (Uruguay)*
Hassan Mohammed Hassan (Nigeria)*
Ihor V. Humenny (Ukraine)***
Eduardo Hector Iglesias (Argentina)*
Vyacheslav Anatolievich Logutov (Russian Federation)**
Meshal A. M. A. Al-Mansour (Kuwait)***
Gobona Susan Mapitse (Botswana)***
Richard Moon (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)**
Hae-yun Park (Republic of Korea)**
Eduardo Manuel da Fonseca Fernandes Ramos (Portugal)*
Henrique da Silveira Sardinha Pinto (Brazil)**
Lisa P. Spratt (United States of America)***
Thomas Thomma (Germany)**
Wu Gang (China)**

* Term of office expires on 31 December 2007.
** Term of office expires on 31 December 2008.
*** Term of office expires on 31 December 2009.

5. Since the terms of office of Mr. Eckersley, Mr. Ekorong A Dong, Mr. Greiver del Hoyo, Mr. Hassan, Mr. Iglesias and Mr. Ramos will expire on 31 December 2007, it will be necessary for the General Assembly at its sixty-second session to appoint six persons to fill the resulting vacancies. The persons so appointed will serve for a period of three years, beginning on 1 January 2008.

6. At previous sessions, the Fifth Committee submitted to the General Assembly a draft decision containing the names of the persons recommended for appointment. It is suggested that a similar procedure be followed at the sixty-second session.